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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (157-3655) (P)

SUBJECT: PATRICIA JOYCE BELLANGER  
EM - AIM  
(OO: MINNEAPOLIS)

Enclosed for the Bureau are six copies of LHM dated and captioned as above. Enclosed for Denver are two copies of LHM for information.

Minneapolis will provide the local office of the Secret Service with one copy of above LHM.

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Will attempt to determine type of activities subject was engaged in at the AIM confrontation, Wounded Knee, South Dakota, during 1973.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Minneapolis, Minnesota

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

June 3, 1974

PATRICIA JOYCE BELLANGER

This investigation is based on information which indicates the subject is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection) or 2384 (Seditious Conspiracy), as indicated hereafter. The subject has been identified as being actively involved in militant activities of the American Indian Movement (AIM). Since January, 1973, AIM has been actively involved in demonstrations and violent confrontations with local authorities in Scottsbluff, Nebraska, and the Rapid City and Custer areas of South Dakota. From February 27 through May 8, 1973, AIM leaders and members and their supporters occupied the community of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, by force of arms taking a number of the community's residents as hostages. Before surrendering to Federal authorities, they engaged in numerous violent and destructive acts and gunfire was exchanged with Federal authorities resulting in the death of two of the insurgents.

The American Indian Movement (AIM) was founded in Minnesota in 1968, dedicated to improving conditions for the American Indian. AIM led and participated in confrontations with local authorities in Scottsbluff, Nebraska, and the Rapid City - Custer areas of South Dakota. AIM led the takeover and occupation of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, in February - May, 1973.

Sources whose identities are concealed herein have furnished reliable information in the past, except where otherwise noted.

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On December 3, 1973, the Articles of Incorporation of the St. Paul, Minnesota, Chapter of AIM were obtained through the Minnesota Secretary of State's Office, St. Paul, Minnesota, and revealed that Patricia Bellanger was a member of the Chapter's Board of Directors as Director of Social Services.

On April 17, 1974, MP T-1 advised that Bellanger makes no secret of the fact that she participated in some manner in the AIM occupation of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, during 1973.

Source advised that Bellanger no longer holds a titled position in the St. Paul AIM Chapter but is considered a highly trusted member of AIM and has kept money for the personal use of [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] holds no national AIM Office, however, he is a member of the AIM Central Committee, a decision-making body.

MP T-2  
On January 28, 1974

Source provided the following description based on observation:

Sex	Female
Race	Chippewa Indian
Age	25 (Looks older)
Height	5'0"
Weight	250
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown

On May 6, 1974, MP T-1 advised that Bellanger's current address is 314 Pierce Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, telephone number 612-644-7781.

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On May 30, 1974, [redacted] St. Paul, Minnesota, Police Department and Ramsey County Sheriff's Office, St. Paul, Minnesota, advised that she had the following arrest record for the subject:

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October 23, 1965 - Petite Theft  
October 25, 1965 - Paid \$25 fine

December 11, 1970 - Visiting a Disorderly House  
December 11, 1970 - Paid \$25 fine

[redacted] provided the following physical description:

Race	Indian
Sex	Female
Date of birth	February 13, 1943
Height	5'3 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
Weight	215
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Mother	Veronica Bellanger, 611 Dayton, St. Paul, Minnesota (1970 information)
1970 residence	Same as above.

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SAC, Minneapolis

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Director, FBI

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MPfile: 157-3789

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[redacted] FBIHQ is in receipt of an LHM concerning subject and an investigative summary of subject Ballanger, which are dated 11/8/74 and 10/31/74.

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Information set forth in the aforementioned communications indicates that while both subjects are affiliated with the American Indian Movement (AIM), their activities with that organization have not proven to be militant nor have they involved themselves in activities of a violent nature or in possible violations of Federal statutes.

Accordingly, submission by your office of communications suitable for dissemination in these matters was unnecessary. You have indicated in the case of subject [redacted] that your office intends to follow her activities for a period of six months to determine her possible propensity for violence. You are instructed to close that case at this time.

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Letter to Minneapolis  
Re: American Indian Movement  
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Patricia Ballanger

NOTE:

The AIM is a militant organization with headquarters in the Minneapolis Division. AIM has been involved in acts of violence including the February, 1973, take-over of the community of Wounded Knee, South Dakota. Appropriate instructions are being directed to the Minneapolis Office in light of their submission of communications for dissemination setting forth investigative results of individuals determined not to be violent affiliates of AIM. In the case of [REDACTED] Minneapolis improperly maintained same in a pending status despite the fact that this is unnecessary based on its prior findings. Case on Patricia Ballanger was closed by Minneapolis.

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